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HOLDEN MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION OF METH-MANUFACTURING CHEMICAL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Holden, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for possession of pseudoephedrine, a chemical used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Jeff D. Riley, 40, of Holden, was sentenced by U.S. District Chief Judge Dean Whipple this morning to seven years and three months in federal prison without parole.

On Sept. 19, 2003, **Riley** pleaded guilty to being in possession of pseudoephedrine, knowing that the chemical would be used to manufacture methamphetamine. On Sept. 27, 2002, law enforcement officers recovered approximately 165.57 grams of pseudoephedrine while executing a search warrant at **Riley's** residence, Graves said. **Riley** admitted that he used the chemical to manufacture methamphetamine at his residence. Law enforcement officers also found two shotguns and numerous rifle and shotgun shells and ammunition at the residence, Graves added.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney W. Brent Powell. It was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Lafayette County Narcotics Unit, the Lexington, Mo., Police Department, and the North Central Missouri Drug Task Force.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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